### Software Defined Multiband EVA Radio, Phase II



Completed Technology Project (2009 - 2011)

#### **Project Introduction**

The objective of Phase 2 is to build a reliable, lightweight, programmable, multi-mode, miniaturized EVA Software Defined Radio (SDR) that supports data telemetry, voice, standard and high-definition video. The proposed radios would be part of an advanced, incrementally expandable wireless network for securing and accessing lunar data assets. For improved reliability and to assure stand-alone functionality, the network would support a real-time 3D location function using site-assisted navigation and utilizing TOA/TDOA methods. To achieve unparalleled power consumption efficiency, Lexycom proposes the use of QoS-aware, data traffic dependent waveform selection. We have estimated that additional reduction in power consumption can be obtained by utilizing cognitive selection of the operating mode of the EVA transceivers. We plan to use an innovative RF packetization technique targeted toward eliminating negotiations between the network nodes prior to the change in the parameters of the transmitted signal on a packet-by-packet basis. We anticipate that after the completion of Phase II, Lexycom will be more than capable of delivering production-ready operational EVA SDR prototypes for further advancements in the transceiver's Technology Readiness Level (TRL). We strongly believe that such radio would facilitate flexibility, provide consistent functionality, and reduce implementation time for future NASA planetary explorations.

#### **Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners**





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# Organizational Responsibility

## Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

#### **Lead Center / Facility:**

Johnson Space Center (JSC)

#### **Responsible Program:**

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer



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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
	Lead	NASA	Houston,
	Organization	Center	Texas
Lexycom	Supporting	Industry	Longmont,
Technologies, Inc.	Organization		Colorado

Primary U.S. Work Locations	
Colorado	Texas

#### **Project Transitions**

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March 2009: Project Start



September 2011: Closed out

## **Project Management**

**Program Director:** 

Jason L Kessler

**Program Manager:** 

Carlos Torrez

## **Technology Areas**

#### **Primary:**

- TX06 Human Health, Life Support, and Habitation Systems
  - □ TX06.2 Extravehicular Activity Systems
    - ─ TX06.2.3 Informatics and Decision Support Systems

